

COMMITTEE LANGUAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2002

**JPATS
ACCOUNT: APN**

PRESBUD	HASC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
--	--	(10)44,600	(7) 31,5000	--	(16) 44,600	30,800

**JPATS
ACCOUNT: AP, AIR FORCE**

PRESBUD	HASC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
(48)228,409	(48)228,409	(48)231,809	(48) 231,809	270,409	(48)228,409	228,409

HASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 107-194)

Page 66, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

17 T-45TS (TRAINER) GOSHAWK	-	-	-	-
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18 JPATS	-	-	-	-

Page 108, Aircraft Procurement, Air Force

TRAINER AIRCRAFT OPERATIONAL TRAINERS				
12 JPATS	48	228,409	48	228,409

Page 70, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

Joint primary air training system (JPATS) The budget request contained no funds for the Navy JPATS. The JPATS, consisting of both the T-6A aircraft and a ground-based training system, will be used by the Navy and Air Force for primary pilot training. The T-6A will replace both the Navy's T-34 and Air Force's T-37B fleets, providing safer, more economical and more effective training for future student pilots. The committee notes that, although the Navy has already procured 12 T-6A aircraft in fiscal year 2000 and 24 T-6As in fiscal year 2001, it plans to discontinue JPATS acquisition between fiscal years 2002 and 2007. Expressing concern about this decision, the committee also notes that the report accompanying H.R. 2216 (H. Rept. 107-148) directed the Secretary of the Navy to provide a report to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees detailing the business case for the Navy's deferring JPATS acquisition. The committee believes that JPATS procurement for the Navy would not only reduce procurement costs for both the Navy and the Air Force but would reduce operations and maintenance costs as well. The committee directs the Secretary of the Navy to report to the committee within 90 days after enactment of this Act his plan to begin full implementation of the JPATS program beginning in fiscal year 2003.

Page 55, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

17	T-45TS (TRAINER) GOSHAWK (AP-CY)					
18	JPATS			10	44,600	10 44,600
	Other Aircraft					

Page 89, Aircraft Procurement, Air Force

	Trainer Aircraft					[10,000]
12	JPATS	48	228,409	3,400	48	231,809
	Transfer from APN – Fix USAF JPATS Pricing Problem			[3,400]		
	Other Aircraft					

Page 6, Committee Views and Recommendations

Training improvements

Committee initiatives to improve readiness include increases in funding to improve the training of new pilots. The committee recommends an additional \$44.6 million for the Navy to continue modernizing the T-6A Joint Primary Aircraft Training System (JPATS) fleet, the training aircraft used by the Air Force and Navy, and \$34.1 million to procure 21 additional TH-67 training helicopters for the Army.

Pages 80 – 81, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

Navy joint primary aircraft training system

The budget request included no funding for continued Navy procurement of the joint primary aircraft training system (JPATS) to support Navy training requirements. The Navy has been a partner in this joint program with the Air Force, although the Air Force began buying the aircraft five years before the Navy. Air Force long-term plans depended on the Navy's continued participation in the program. For the past two years, the Navy has procured these aircraft, 36 of which will be forming the initial cadre of primary trainers for the Navy.

The Navy had planned to buy 24 JPATS aircraft in fiscal year 2002. The Navy has now decided that its existing trainer, the T-34C, has sufficient service life remaining to allow the Navy to delay any additional JPATS procurement until later in the Future Years Defense Program (FYDP).

The committee is concerned that the Navy is willing to take such a course of action in a joint program, where its actions obviously force the Air Force to absorb greater costs than the Air Force had planned upon. Additionally, the committee believes that the improved aircrew survivability offered by the ejection seat-equipped JPATS aircraft is an important factor warranting continued purchases of the trainer by the Navy.

The committee recommends an increase of \$44.6 million to buy 10 JPATS aircraft for the Navy. Continued purchases by the Navy would mean fielding a more efficient and safer primary aircraft training system. It would also, along with the planned Air Force buy, permit the contractor to maintain a level production effort and keep Air Force unit costs at a more reasonable level.

The committee also recognizes that the Navy's elimination of funding in fiscal year 2002 has caused the Air Force to face higher costs for the airplanes it intends to buy. The Air Force has indicated that the loss of the 24 aircraft from the Navy buy would imply a cost increase in fiscal year 2002 of \$5.8 million for the Air Force program.

Therefore, the committee also recommends a transfer of \$3.4 million from the Aircraft Procurement, Navy account to the Aircraft Procurement, Air Force account to compensate the Air Force for the increased overhead that the Air Force will face as a result of the Navy's late decision to interrupt purchases in fiscal year 2002. The

\$3.4 million reduction is a general reduction to the account, but shall not be assessed against either the JPATS program or any other addition made in the authorization or appropriations legislation.

CASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 107-333)

Page 436, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

18	JPATS				10	44,600	7	11,500	7	31,500
	Other Aircraft									
19	REPLACEMENT	4	200,017	4	200,017	4	200,017		4	200,017

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12	JPATS	48	228,409	48	228,409	48	231,809	3,400	48	231,809
	Transfer from APN - Fix USAF JPATS Pricing Problem					13,400		13,400		

Contains no language.

HAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 107-298)

Page 132, Aircraft Procurement, Air Force

JPATS	228,409	270,409	+42,000
Additional aircraft			+42,000

Contains no language.

SAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 107-109)

Page 75, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

17	T-45TS (TRAINER) GOSHAWK (AP-CY)		13,000	—13,000
18	JPATS	16	44,600	—16

Page 76, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

	Purchase Operational Flight Trainers			—13,000
18	JPATS		44,600	—44,600
	Purchase 16 Aircraft			44,600
OPERATIONAL TRAINERS:				
12	JPATS	48	228,409	48
	OTHER AIRCRAFT			

Training aircraft.—Funding of \$44,600,000 is recommended to purchase 16 JPATS training aircraft. The Committee expects the Navy to fund this program at economic production levels in the future. In addition, the Committee recommends an increase of \$13,000,000 to purchase T-45 operational flight trainers.

Page 242, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

JPATS.....			44,600	30,800
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Page 245, Aircraft Procurement, Navy

18 JPATS	0	0	44,600	30,800
Additional aircraft			+44,600	+30,800

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Joint Primary Aircraft Training System (JPATS). The conference agreement provides an additional \$30,800,000 to purchase a minimum of seven aircraft. Should production costs result in a lower than assumed unit cost, the Navy is encouraged to use whatever funds remain to purchase additional JPATS aircraft. Also, the conferees expect the Navy to fund, at economic rates, additional purchases of JPATS trainer aircraft in future budget requests.

Page 275, Aircraft Procurement, Air Force

OPERATIONAL TRAINERS				
JPATS.....	228,409	270,409	228,409	228,409

Page 279, Aircraft Procurement, Air Force

12 JPATS	228,409	270,409	228,409	(75,800)
Additional aircraft		+42,000		0
13 V-22 OSPREY	95,110	95,110	0	0